

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, January 22, 2021
9:00 AM PST

Day 1 (Friday): Light rain and higher elevation snow will develop across the northern half of the state today and tonight. Gusty winds of 35-45 mph will also develop over the southern Sierra, southern California mountains, Death Valley, and the western Mojave Desert.

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

01/22/21 - 01/28/21

Friday-Saturday

- Light rain and mountain snow developing across northern California today, spreading into southern California tonight through Saturday night. Minor travel impacts are expected over the higher elevations from light snow accumulation.
 - Gusty winds of 35-45 mph will also develop Friday over the southern Sierra, southern California mountains, Death Valley, and the western Mojave Desert.
- A few thunderstorms are also possible along the central California coast Friday and Saturday

Sunday-Thursday

- Several storms will impact the state later Sunday through the end of the week, with each system progressively stronger and wetter
 - Locally heavy rainfall and heavy mountain snow are possible, especially by Wednesday and Thursday
 - Periods of gusty winds can also be expected with these storms, especially on Monday and Wednesday
 - Snow levels will also gradually fall with each storm, with many burn scars potentially seeing more snow than rain. However, some runoff problems could develop by late week depending on exactly how low snow levels fall.



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

01/22/21 - 01/28/21

<u>Hazards / Day</u>	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU
Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds	Southern/ Inland			Southern		All Regions	
Snow	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland	Inland
Coastal Flooding							
River Flooding							
Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes)	Coastal	Coastal					
Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms)							
Heat Risk							
Heavy Rain/Flash Flooding/ Debris Flow				Southern	All Regions	All Regions	All Regions
Cold							



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



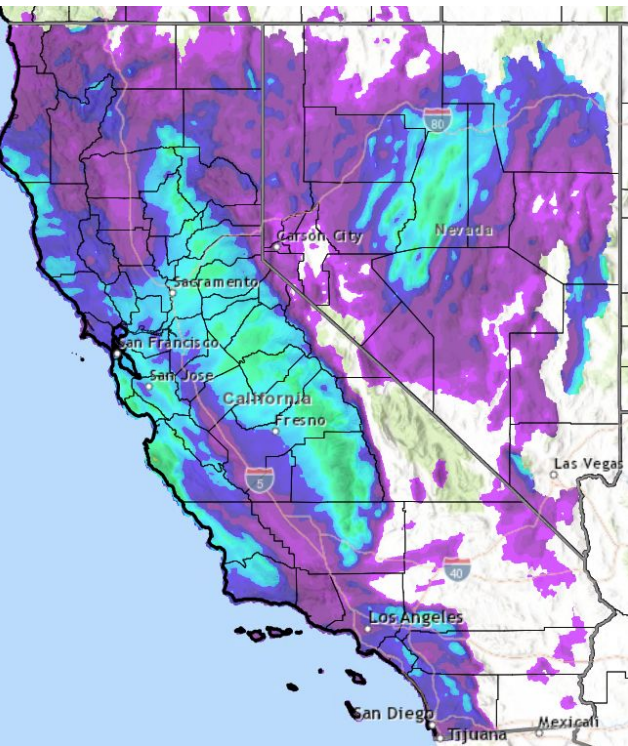
Moderate Impacts



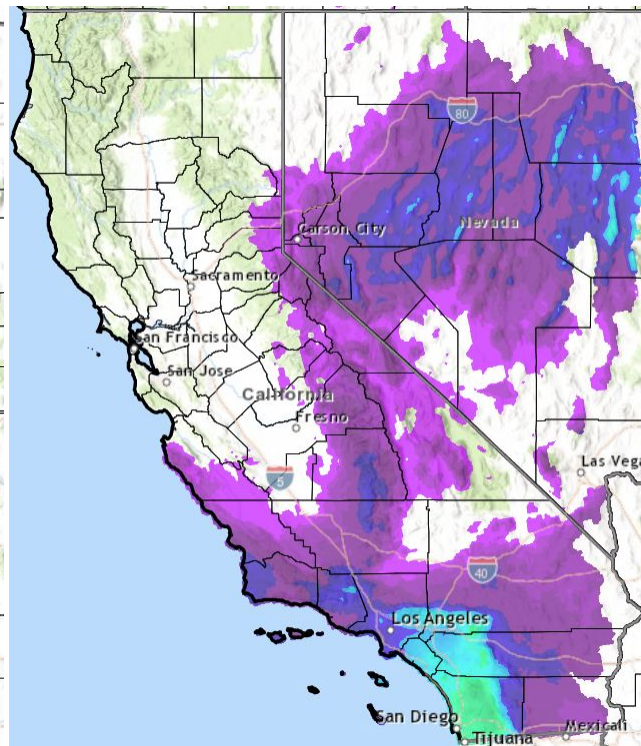
Severe Impacts

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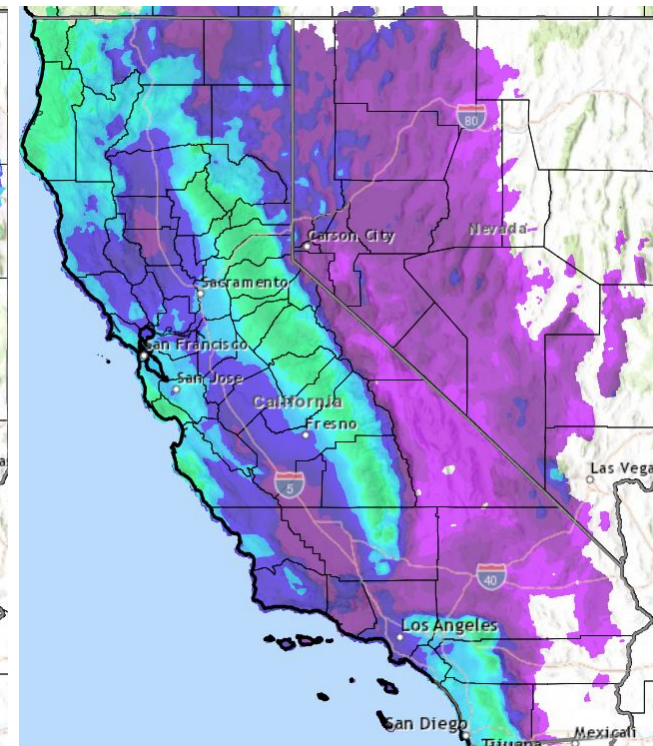
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Friday



Saturday



Sunday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

01/27/21 - 02/04/21

6-10 Day Outlook (January 27 – January 31)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Above normal precipitation is strongly favored statewide

8-14 Day Outlook (January 29 – February 4)

Temperatures

- Below normal temperatures are favored statewide

Precipitation

- Above normal precipitation is favored for most of the state, with the exception of far southern California where below normal precipitation is favored



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